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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, the Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment and Response.

With this paper, Applicants also file a petition for a one-month extension of time to respond. In the event that any other extension or additional fees are due to have this Amendment and Response After Final entered and considered, this is a conditional petition for such extension, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- The **RESPONSE** begins on page 6 of this paper.